UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	X	DOCUMENT ELECTRONICALLY FILED DOC #: DATE FILED: 2/25/2020
JUAN GALICIA BLANCO, individually and on behall others similarly situated,	: nalf of : :	
Plaintiff,	:	19-cv-9295 (LJL)
-V-	:	<u>ORDER</u>
NIKKO STEAKHOUSE & LOUNGE INC., KEN CHEN, and LENDY CHEN,  Defendants.	: : : : X	

## LEWIS J. LIMAN, United States District Judge:

On October 8, 2019, Plaintiff initiated this action to recover damages for alleged violations of federal and state wage and hour laws arising out of Plaintiff's employment at Defendant Nikko Steakhouse & Lounge Inc. ("Nikko Steakhouse"), located at 230 White Plains Road, Tarrytown, New York 10591. Dkt. No. 1. Plaintiff alleges that the two other Defendants in the case are owners of Nikko Steakhouse.

Pursuant to Rule 18(a)(i) of the Rules for the Division of Business Among District Judges for the Southern District of New York, a civil case "shall be designated for assignment to White Plains if," as relevant here, "[t]he claim arose in whole or in major part in the Counties of Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan and Westchester (the 'Northern Counties') and at least one of the parties resides in the Northern Counties." In this case, Defendant Nikko Steakhouse is in Westchester County, the service addresses Plaintiff listed for Defendants Ken Chen and Lendy Chen are in Westchester County, and nothing in the Complaint indicates that any part of the claim arose outside of Westchester County.

Accordingly, this case has been reassigned to the White Plains courthouse.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: February 25, 2020

New York, New York

LEWIS J. LIMAN United States District Judge

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